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Thinking Out Loud

(By H. M. L.)

We note a contemporary, commenting editorially on the death during the year of two senators who were inimical to F. D. R., concludes that Providence is aiding Mr. Roosevelt to a second term. Well, all we can say is, whatever help Providence may give the President to succeed himself, he will need.

Rose Bowling received a severe blow on New Year's day when five major newsreel concerns announced they would make no showing of the game in Pasadena. It seems the manager of the game sold exclusive rights to one company, limiting all others to 100 feet. Compensation for this exclusive right is reported to be $10,000. We suspect that here is a case of penny wise and pound foolish. This year's publicity plants the seed for next year's crop.

It is interesting to note that while plow shares can be beaten into swords they may be beaten back again into plow shares. The U. S. pilots who are dropping highly destructive bombs into the crater of Manua Loa in Hawaii, and along the route of the lava flow in order to divert it from ruining Hilo's water supply, illustrate the ease with which war materials may be converted to the uses of conservation and safety. Although the experiment has proved only partially successful, the probability is that were enough of these explosive eggs dropped the water supply would be saved.

This is remindful of the terrible battle waged to save San Francisco at the time of the earthquake by blasting level whole blocks of buildings in order to put a fire break across the path of the conflagration. The press story by Robert Wells Ritchie which won world wide acclaim, began with, "More Dynamite."

The Townsend thousands, the Epic enthusiasts, and now the sales tax repealers, are all good people, no doubt. Human being looking for a way out, even as you and I. Not a one of them, probably, realizes that he or she is an industrious gopher burrowing under the foundations of democracy. The idea that anyone can get something for nothing in this world is as old as the human race. The Epic delusion would give every body a job, either on the land or in a factory and establish a barter system between town and country. A man would not have to win an opportunity to earn a living as he does now, it would be handed to him by a beneficent state. Something for nothing. The Townsendites would force 115 million people to work like the devil to support 10 million oldsters in comparative luxury. Something for nothing. The sales tax repealers have actually succeeded in putting on the ballot to be voted on at next year's election, a measure to repeal the sales tax. Nothing is submitted in the way of a measure to pay the cost of government in lieu of the sales tax. They apparently expect government to cost as much less as the amount of the sales tax. They hope for something for nothing.

All of these people, with soaring visions, refuses to face facts. Dr. Townsend himself refuses to think through his plan for a pension of $200 per month for those over sixty years of age. Only this week he refused to meet opponents in debate, or to explain where the money for the gradiose scheme is to come from. The Epic followers were more definite, but they too refused to look at the whole picture. The sales tax repealers are perhaps the most destructive of the lot because they offer nothing to take the place of the sales tax. God knows the sales tax is a nuisance, but an ad valorum tax which apparently is the only recourse that will be left to the legislature, will certainly give California a tremendous set-back.

PRESCOTT HILL MINE

Two drifts are being driven on the foot level in the Prescott Hill southeast of Grass Valley. A cut is being made on the 1200 vel. Fourteen men are employ- William Jeffrey is superin- the property which is be- by the Newmont inter-

VLVANIA MINE

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NEW YEAR BALL IS AUSPICIOUS OPENING OF 1936

The annual New Years Eve masquerade ball of the Nevada City Firemen, proved better and bigger than over. Tuesday night the floor of Armory hall was thronged with a gay crowd of dancers and masquers. The firemen again proved themselves inimitable hosts, and the merry gathering filled the historic hall with laughter and wishes for a Happy New Year. The old year died amid the gaiety of hundreds and the New Year came with a jolly, roaring welcome.

Tre receipts of the evening were well over $500, comparing favorably with past years.

Duet: Rex Perry and Marie Buford.

Songs by a group from the Gables who rendered five numbers.

Special Tap Dancing, Elton Tobiassen and Yvonne Gates.

Specialty numbers by the Quartz Mill Billies, Harry and Phil Twitchell of Grass Valley.

Special tap dance, Betty Jean Rore.

With Christian Anderson as master of ceremonies, presiding at the "mike" of Art Remple, public address system, the announcements were made. This feature of the evening brought everything clearly to the big crowd of spectators and was greatly appreciated by the big crowd.

LIST OF MASKERS

Elsie Trevelynan—Beth in Little Women.

Charles Trevelyan—Philli Morris cigarettes.

Bob Carr—Rudolph Rassendale.

Mary Lee Carr—Clown.

Elton Fish—Mask.

Walter Woods—Mask.

Mrs. Coulter—Bar Maid.

Violet Garwood, Genevive Vranesh—Bell Hops.

Aileen Whiting, Ellen Harris, Melba Nugent, Myrtle Dolman, Margaret Jointer, Hattie Hughson—Goddesses of Liberty.

Helen Rickard—Clown.

Fay White—Fancy Dress.

Alene James—Miss America 1850.

Mrs. Verda Harris—Fancy Dress.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hanks—Globe A1 Flour.

A. B. Jones, Joe Moody, Lewis M. Moody—Knights of the Road.

Desiree Lucas, Lucy Proctor—Old English Roses.

Day and Night—Miss Edna Richerson, Miss Edna Uhrig, Miss Evelyn Ltoz (day), Fred Garrison, Ben Tamblyn, John Muscardini (night).

Mrs. Howard Penrose—Krispy Krackers.

Jack Reeder—Man and Woman.

Olive Adamson—Rag-a-Muffin.

Bernice Deschwanden, Joan Grant—Nurses.

Mother and Father Pelican and Four Children—Margaery Williams, Fay Murphy, Vivian Hughson, Florence Jones, Madge Pianezzi, Helen Davidson.

Genevieve Evans—Rosebud.

Ovaline Penrose, Mrs. Kopp, Louise Dudley, Elva Bonner, Lou A. Kopp, Charles Elliott, Rudy Frank—Shotgun Marriage.

Mrs. Farley, Mrs. C. Tobiassen, Mrs. C. L. Larson, Mrs. P. Harding, Miss Lucille Carter, Mrs. Andy Hickstun—Beechnut Group.

Gladys Gillispie—Mask.

George Freeman—Mask.

Sally Noyes, Nathelle Worthley, Ruth Gleason, Jean Gleason, Maxine Teagarden, Darleen Teagarden, Margery Odgers, Alice Dennis—Maids of Mars.

H. F. Jefferson—Army Reserve Officer.

Lucille Perry—Evening Dress.

Elmer Peterson—Mask.

Tom Thomas—Mask.

Mrs. Hughes—Mask.

Lorraine Hughes—Mask.

Mrs. Thelma Key—Mask.

Gene Hughes—Mask.

Miss Rohn—Yachting.

Carl Davey—Rag Boy.

Vernice Edwards—Flags.

Fred Deal—Sambo.

Norman Kirkham, Ralph Kirkham—Indians.

Gertrude Wilde—Goddess of Liberty.

R. E. Leary—Fireman.

Mildred Bennetts—Japanese Girl.

Kitty Kimball—Civil War dress.

Della Ford—Spanish Troubadour.

Mrs. Loofmark—Chinese costume.

E. Goering—Civil War costume.

Merle Coulger, Ray Wilde — Old

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CITIZENS DONATE $245 TO SCOUTS

Chairman H. A. Curnow, of the Nevada City District Scouts Council has filed his annual report showing the annual subscriptions amounting to $245 contributed by various donors to the Boy Scout organization in Nevada City.

The following named persons contributed the amounts shown:

Caremon Larson $1.00; Carveth Ins. Agency $1.00; Nevada City News $1.00; Keystone Market $5.00; Nevada County Narrow Gague Railroad $5.00; Robert Paine $1.00; Miners Electric Shop $2.00; Valley Electric $2.00; C. W. Leiter $2.50; Plaza Grocery $2.50; Sacta. St. Grocery .50; Union Ice Co. $2.00; Union Hotel $1.00; H. Randall $1.00; C. Ray Murchie $2.50; John Hammill $1.50; Carl J. Tobiassen $5.00.

Elma Hecker $1.00; Ed Schmidt $1.00; Judge Raglan Tuttle $5.00; Miles Coughlin $2.50; Cary Arbogast $2.50; Roland Wright $1.00; Mrs. Ella Austin $2.00; Vernon Stoll $5.00; Don C. Billick $1.00; Frank Davies $5.00; H. A. Curnow $5.00; John J Fortier $2.50; William Home $1.00; Bank of America $5.00; R. R. Goyne $2.50; E. M. Rector $5.00; Nevada County Lumber Co. $2.50; Fred Conner $2.50; J. J. Jackson $2.00; George Sandow .50; J. P. Muscardini $2.00;

Lloyd Hiscox $1.00; Mamie Meservey $1.00; A. Hartung $1.00; R. J. Bennetts $5.00; George Calanan $2.00; W. H. Griffith $1.00; Smith Package Grocery $2.00; Sunshine Food Shop .50; Alpha Stores, Ltd. $5.00; Fred Cassidy $2.50; P. V. Carr $1.00; E. W. Schreiber $2.00; J. W. O'Neill $1.00; Wm. V. Tamblyn $2.50; Ed Uren $2.50; Kopp's Bakery $1.50; Elmer Durbin $1.00; John Tognarelli $2.00;

Ramsey's $1.00; Boston Mercantile Co. $1.00; Quality Market $2.00; Nevada City Nugget $2.00; H. E. Kjorlie $1.00; Leslie Sweeney $1.00; Nell B. Baggley $1.00; Miss Bartholomew $1.00; W. A. Carlson $1.00; Ruth Hogan $1.00; Ruth Tamblyn $1.00; Mary Warnecke $1.00; Joe G. O'Neill $1.00; J. Clark McGinnis $1.00; Mrs. Mabel Flindt $1.00; Miss Kate Shearer $1.00; Leland Smith $1.00; William P. Lee $2.00; B. C. Goldsmith $2.00.

S. Lee Leiter $2.50; Dick Rodda $1.50; Dr. A. H. Tickell $2.00; Mrs. Clayton Bennetts $1.00; W. L. Mobly $1.00; Lew S. Elkus $1.00; Stenger Williamson $1.00; Forrest Risley $1.00; Fred Worth $5.00; Charles Graham $2.00; Dan Stewart $2.00; H. M. Cooper $5.00; R. E. Harris $5.00; Otto Schiffner $5.00; Mrs. Henry Schroeder $5.00; L. W. Lobdell $5.00; A. M. Holmes $5.00; Lava Cap Mining Company $10.00; Gove C. Celio $2.50; Central Mine Employees $31.00; Banner Hill Employees $5.00; N. C. Elks Lodge $5.00; Native Sons Lodge $5.00; W. E. Johnston $1.00. Dr. W. W. Reed $1.00. Total $245.00.

CITY COUNCIL FIRST SESSION FOR NEW YEAR

A minority session of the city council met in regular session at the city hall last night. James Penrose had been called from the city on business and Benjamin Hall was indisposed so could not attend. After discussing routine matters the minority members adjourned to the home of Mr. Hall, his presence made a quorum and the business of the meeting was conducted. The following bills were ordered paid.

Frank Wright, $95; Garfield Robson, $135; Geo. H. Calanan, $20; N. H. Brown, $75; Mrs. Emma Foley, $12.50; Miles P. Coughlin, $12.50; Dr. E. M. Roesner, $40; H. S. Hallett, $125; Nevada Irrigation District $165.76; Pacific Gas and Electric Co., $225.06; Miners Foundry and Supply Co., $198.12; Chamber of Commerce, $15; Nevada City Nugget, $18.03; George Bros., 100.; Grover Seaman $124.31; Pac. Tel. and Tel. Co., $6.80; Shell Oil Co., $5.87; A. Carlisle, $6.44; A. S. Lane, $2.78; Kopps Bakery, $1; E. J. Baker, $5; County of Nevada, $44.54; Howard Penrose, $11; C. H. Clelland, $4.47; Alpha Stores, $339.24; B. F. Wright, .75; Nevada City Garage, $60.15; J. Lopez, $72; Nevada Co. Lumber Co., $55.39; Plaza Super Service Station, $10.14; Ed Christenson, $7.25; Western Auto Supply Co., $2; Builders Supply House, $39.32; Reita D. Curnow, $304.67; Sacramento Pipe Works, 49.74; Atlas Blue Print Co., .81; A. J. Eddy, $6.50; E. Carnes, $3; A. H. Haddy, $12; Walter Nivens, $32; Max Solaro, $71.50; Ted Sigourney, $75; Fred Eilerman, 82; Chas. Thomas, $28; Geo. Casci, $32; Nick Sandow, 53.50; Betty Martin West, $22.10; Alpha Hardware and Supply Co., 49.86.

FIRE FUND

John W .Darke, $2.26; Pac. Gas and Electric Co., $4.92; Pac. Tel. & Tel. Co., $4.42; Alpha Stores Ltd., .36; Max Solaro, $51.50. Total $63.46.

Earl Fitzpatrick and Ray Ketels of the Nugget staff spent the New Years holiday in Sacramento.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Smith and children enjoyed skiing at the Auburn Ski Coudse near Cisco three days this week. There was a throng at the course New Years Day. Mr. and Mrs. Clark McGinnis of this city were also at the course on Wednesday.

Mr. George P. Williams of Ellensburg, Washington, is spending some time in Nevada City visiting relatives. Mr. Williams, a former resident, is a brother of Mr. Frank Williams, driver of the Nevada City-Grass Valley bus line, and an uncle of Mr. William Fouyer.

Attorney John S. Lewis spent the Christmas holidays with relatives in Oakland.

COUNTY HEADQUARTERS FOR SERA CLOSED

Owing to the fact that the families on relief in this county have dwindled to such a small number, the officials of the SERA who made their headquarters in the community house in Pioneers park have been withdrawn and the needs of those on relief will be cared for in the future by a visiting official from Auburn. Most of the local staff has been dismissed. The WPA however will continue to make the community house their headquarters during the progress of work on the many city and park projects. Work on the WPA park projects will not be resumed until January 6.

GRASS VALLEY BOY HEADS U. S. DUNAMIS ORDER

Last Friday, Saturday and Sunday 17 delegates from the Tahoe Area Council attended the seventh annual conference of the Grand Chapter, Knights of Dunamis, which was held at the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco.

During the conference, Sam Partridge of Grass Valley was elevated to the office of Grand Commander of the order, a national office, and was duly installed as such Saturday night immediately preceeding a formal dance in his honor.

An order founded on principles such as those of the Knights of Dunamis can find nothing but a strong healthy growth and it is something which Mr. and Mrs. American Citizen will hear more and more about in coming years. Tribute to the young man who will administer the policies of the order for 1936 was given by a unanamous "rising vote" in recognition of the faithful work done for the Grand Chapter. Partridge has been definitely identified with the Grand Chapter of the Knights of Dunamis since its inception seven years ago. It is a distinct honor to Tahoe Chapter No. 9 and to the local council to have one of its members attain the highest office of the order.

The "KD'S" were organized some ten years ago in San Francisco by Raymond O. Hanson, Scout Executive of the San Francisco Council, with the idea of interesting older scouts in service to others. The organization has grown slowly but surely and at the present time there are some forty odd chapters in existence, some being as far east as Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Also of interest to the local community is the fact that next year's annual conference will be held in the Tahoe Council with winter sports as a special novelty for the two hundred young men who will attend from all parts of the west.

Bankers Forecast Increased Business Activity In 1936

STATEMENT BY L. M. GIANNINI, Senior Vice President, Bank of America N. T. & S. A.

With every prospect for plentiful money available for constructive purposes at low rates of interest, and with prospective business in great volume virtually thrust upon the heavy industries, the business outlook for 1936 is exeremely wholesome.

Throughout the nation a consistent pick-up in business has been evident throughout 1935. The Chicago area, which was hard hit by depression, has been particularly outstanding in the recovery during recent months. Detroit, influenced by the foresighted policy of the automobile industry, has re-employed labor to the point that its real estate reports indicate residential vacancies of only 2 per cent.

On the Pacific Coast, we have been fortunate in the velocity of our business recovery. During the past year, according to the Bank of America Index of Far Western Business which stands at 73, the gain amounted to 19 per cent over 1934, which, in turn, improved markedly over 1933.

It is inevitable that there will be more bank lending in 1936. Large expenditures of public funds will pour money into banks and reserves will reach new high levels. There will be greater demand for loanable funds as industry and business attain increased activity.

These inducements to banks to place these moneys to work will be augmented by the competition of insurance companies and building and loan associations, which are already seeking loans actively in the Pacific territory. An additional stimulus to the lending of bank funds is the Banking Act of 1935, which has facilitated national bank loans on real estate.

In view of these factors, it is not unduly optimistic to predict a very substantial expansion of building activity in the West and particularly in California, during the ensuing year. Activity under the National Housing Act is still increasing markedly. Every interior town of any importance in California is short in housing facilities and building is going forward with lengthening strides.

This increased building activity already has had an apparent effect on employment in this state. Skilled artisans are in demand, and because apprenticeships dwindled during the depression period, it appears that before long there will actually be a shortage of skilled labor in the building and allied trades.

BANKING IMPROVES

(By A. P. GIANNINI,)

Chairman of the Board, Bank of America N. T. & S. A.

The advent of the year 1936 marks a transition, for recognition is growing that this is a period of change, and from a banking standpoint the changes are for the better.

Since 1933 there has been a constant trend of revision in business and banking in order to meet the need of altered conditions throughout the nation. Under capable governmental guidance these revisions have resulted in a well-planned ground work for improvement, which has already been reflected in the heartening advancement of business agricultural and industry.

Similarly, revisions in the existing order or banking have paved the way for better times to come, and those bankers who are sufficiently far-sighted to conform to current trends are finding the way clear to vastly better conditions in their field.

In the past the stress of banking service has been upon facilities for big business, and the little fellow has been more or less an outsider with the majority of banks.

Today, in line with administrative policy, the old order is changing, and it is changing for the good of the greatest number. The little fellow is beginning to come into his own.

Active credit is a stimulant to business, and increased activity of credit was a basic need of the nation as a spur to business recovery. The need is now being met in a way that for the first time gives the individual borrower an equal footing with corporate business.

The government is doing everything in its power to induce the banks to recognize the credit standing of the individual, so that his purchasing power will stimulate business industry.

Farsighted bankers, in cooperation with this move, are making credit available to borrowers on an individual basis.

Heretofore, the majority of the nation's commercial banks have been primarily interested in financing business through commercial loans. Today the trend is toward including individual in bank financing, through personal loans, modernization loans and automobile finance. In other words, the banks have previously been wholesalers of credit. Today they are becoming lenders on a retail basis.

This is the trend that will be most apparent in banking during ensuing years. It is a trend which is based on a wise conception of the fundamental needs behind this nation's return to prosperity. With this trend in progress, there is every indication of still further business improvement during 1935.

OLD RESIDENT PASSES ON NEW YEARS DAY

Mr. John Charles McKinney passed away at his home on Grove street Wednesday, January first at 2:35 a. m. He was born May 16, 1869 in Graniteville and has been a miner practically his entire life. For some time he was employed at the Miners Foundry at Nevada City. He has spent nearly all of his life in Nevada County, and was a kindly respected citizen whose passing will be a sad surprise to his many friends. He has resided in Nevada City about 25 years.

Left to mourn his passing are his brothers, James McKinney, North Bloomfield; A. R. McKinney, Oakland; S. W. McKinney, Gridley, L. W. McKinney, and a sister, Stella McKinney.

The remains are in the Little Church Funeral Home in Nevada City. Funeral services will be conducted at 2:30 this afternoon in the Little Church Chapel with W. R. Jefford and Son in charge. Rev. Charles Washburn of the Episcopal church will officiate, interment will be in Pine Grove cemetery.

Mr. E. DeWein, who owns the Dipper mine at Alleghany, is spending the holiday season in Nevada City with his wife.

ATROCIOUS HIT AND RUN KILLING NEW YEARS EVE

Sheriff Carl Tobiassen and the State Traffic officers are searching diligently for the hit and run driver who killed Bennett H. Todd, New Year's eve on the highway just above the State Highway headquarters outside the Nevada City limits. Deputies, it is reported, have examined a thousand cars in an effort to find one with a smashed headlight.

The highway killing was particularly atrocious, in that Todd, a man weighing 200 pounds was apparently on his own side of the road, walking toward the traffic, when he was hit and dragged for approximately 75 feet.

He was finally thrown to the side of the road into an excavation beside the new service station, after becoming disentangled from the bumper. He was terribly mutila- when found the morning of Years.

Todd, 64 years old, was found Austin Phillips. Coroner Jeffor attempting to locate relatives. had been working at the Federa lief Camp between Grass Valley Nevada City.

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Taxpayer's Plea

(Contributed)

Finally the voices of the motorist and the taxpayer are being heard in California. The movement to save our highways from over-commercialization is today spreading rapidly throughout the State.

Whether or not anything will come of the plea depends entirely on those state officials who have control of such matters. But certainly the motorist and the taxpayer have at least two good reosans for raising the hue and cry.

Obviously, the taxpayer doesn't want to put out money building roads that are prematurely worn out by an excess of heavy passenger and freight carrying vehicles. Obviously, the motorist doesn't want to be virtually crowded off the highway by great fleets of such vehicles.

On the other hand, it is absolutely necessary to the farmer and many others to have adequate highway transportation. But objection is confined only to the excess, and to the alarmingly rapid increase.

In 1923 there were 43,257 trucks on the road in California. In 1924 the figure jumped to 193,871. During the years 1925 to 1929 it rose to 217,413. The following year trucks on the road increased to 230,387. By 1931 there were 245,213.

Thus official registration figures show that in eight years they increased 201,956. If they increase as rapidly during the next eight years, by 1942 we should have about 442,000 trucks on our highways.

With such a huge fleet, if we put 14 people in each carrier, the entire population of California could be moved out of the state in one trip!

If one tries to imagine what motoring would be like on highways used by this many of the heavy vehicles, or what road upkeep would cost, he can readily understand the plea of the taxpayer and the motorist.

What A Golden Goal!

Less frequently, now that recovery is under way, do we hear the phrases that lay bare the bitter core of such a phenomenon as "depression" in a world so capable of producing an over-abundance of everything. Such words as "starvation amid plenty," or "breadlines knee deep in wheat" no longer sprinkle the pages of newspapers.

Yet today, economists told us recently, a great majority of American people are living on second and third class diets—are not getting enough food, or food of good quality.

The tragedy of this revelation is all too apparent. Not quite so obvious, however, is the promise this fact whispers of a new day's dawning in the not too far distant future: It emphasizes something we are all too prone to foget; namely that markets are not glutted, that demand is not satiated, and that the American standard of living has never approached what it someday will be.

If everyone lived on a first class diet of proper food in proper quantities, business would soar some threefold or fourfold in lines engaged in the gigantic task of feeding America—and that means some 21 per cent of all economic activity of the nation.

If everyone had even the minimum in the way of modern comforts and conveniences, business in all lines would swell to many times its present level.

Reminders of this sort from time to time are valuable, lest we tire of the incessant struggle and endless discussion of tedious efforts to adjust our economic structure. We must rememeber that all the machinery is there, and that by fitting it together properly we can boost the American standard of living beyond anything you ever conceived in your fondest dreams.

A veritable flood of business; a veritable flood of money into our government treasuries at lower tax rates; balanced budgets all around; and best of all a happy, well-fed populace with moments of leisure and the where-withal to enjoy them.

What a golden goal it is!

Great Homer's Fame

When old Homer, poor and seedy,
Shuffled down the village street,
No one called, "hello there Homer,"
No one ran to guide his feet;
No one took him to the circus,
No one offered him a ride,
Not a she in Asia Minor
Would consent to be his bride.

Some there were who tendered largess
Tempered with a frosty smile;
No one said, "come on in Homer,
Sit and rest your bones awhile."
No one fashioned gleaming haloes
To adorn great Homer's head—
But, the fuss folks made about him
When the man was safely dead!

Seven cities claimed his birthplace,
Scores declared he wrote his books
While ensconced as guest of honor
In their cosy ingle-nooks;
Thousands praised his wit and wisdom,
Grace of mind and strength of limb;
Many maidens boasted coyly
Of their love affairs with him.

"Have you read the year's best seller?"
Cultured matrons used to say;
"Dear, the Odyssey's a thriller,
And so charmingly risque!"
Marble statues were erected
To perpetuate his fame,
All the Grecian isles united
To immortalize his name.

But I wonder; does great Homer
Haunt old highways now and then,
Making crisp, satiric comments
On the curious ways of men?

—A. MERRIAM CONNER.

WILLIAM P. JONES IS SUMMONED BY DEATH

Willam P. Jones, prominent citizen of this city who has been ill for several months, passed away at the Nevada City Sanitarium at 11:30 Wednesday evening. Mr. Jones was about town greeting friends up until a few days ago when he suddenly became seriously ill and was removed to the Sanitarium from his home on Nevada street.

His wife, who had been called to San Jose to be with their daughter, Miss Mary Jones, who was operated on for appendicitis just before Christmas, was called, arriving at noon Wednesday, and was at his bedside when he passed away.

Mr. Jones was born near Bangor, Wales, October 16, 1871 and left there for the United States when 17 years of age. He spent one year in the east, coming to California where he joined a brother at Walnut Creek. On his 19th birthday he was in Relief Hill, then a thriving mining camp, working with a brother and cousin in their mine Shortly afterwards he moved to Nevada City, which has been his home ever since.

He has followed mining practically all his life, but served as Night Watchman in Nevada City for sometime resigning on account of ill health. For the past two years he has been janitor of Odd Fellows Hall in this city. He was a member of **Oustomah lodge.**

Mr. Jones was a kindly genial man and will be missed by hosts of friends in Nevada City and county who loved him for his many generous and kindly deeds and happy disposition.

He leaves to mourn his passing a loving wife, son, Harry C. Jones of Redwood City; two daughters, Miss Hazel Jones, Pismo Beach; Miss Mary Jones, Del Monte, one grand child and a brother in Wales.

The remains are at Holmes Funeral Home. Services will take place at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon from Holmes Funeral Home, interment to be made in Odd Fellows Cemetery.

Miss Mary Bennett returns to her studies at Stanford today.

Mrs. C. E. Parsons and Mrs. Belle Douglas will attend the program meeting of the Roseville Woman's Club in the clubrooms at Roseville this afternoon. Robin Lampson will review his very popular and fascinating story of the gold rush days. "Laughter out of the Ground" at this meeting.

Mr. Fred Garrison, superintendent of the local highway division, and crew, with the snow plow went out on the Hahoe-Ukiah highway early Thursday morning to clear the highway. About four inches of new snew fell Wednesday night.

Los-Angeles county registers more motor vehicles annually than any nation of the world excluding the United States.

Social Events

Family Reunion At Curtis Home

One of the happiest family gatherings in some time was a reunion of the sisters of Mrs. Adeline Curtis, excepting one in the east, at the old home in Nevada City this holiday season. This was their first meeting in several years. Mrs. Curtis resides in the old home which wah built 66 years ago. The home was attractive with a big lighted Christmas tree and seasonal decorations.

Those present were, Mrs. Bessie McBride, of San Diego; Mrs. Adelaide Denny and her son, Mr. Lester Denny, wife and child, of Berkeley; Mrs. McBride s remaining to visit until the middle of January.

Mrs. Adelaide Denny and Mrs. Adeline Curtis are Nevada county's oldest twins.

Social Evening Enjoyed by Twelve

Mrs. Peggy Flynn was hostess on Saturday evening honoring Mrs. Jessie Scott and Mrs. Nancy James. Three tables of bridge were enjoyed with prizes going to Mesdames Nola Pickrell, first; Mary Northey, second; and Hannah Geegel, consolation.

Decorations in keeping with the holiday season were used about the home. Dainty refreshments were served at a prettily appointed table.

Those present were: Mesdames Nola Pickrell, Jane Baker, Adeline 'Connnor, Theresa McCloud, Nancy James, Jessie Scott, Nettie Sandow, Nance Scheidick, Clara Phillips, Mary Northey, Alice Shebley of this city; Mrs. Hannah Beegal of Richmond.

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NEW YEAR BALL IS AUSPICIOUS

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Fashioned Couple.

Wayne Russell—Mask.

LIST OF PRIZE WINNERS

Mrs. Jack Widauf won first door prize, and Chas. Leiter, second.

1—Best Dressed Lady—Miss Gertrude Wilde.

2—Best Dressed Gentleman—Elwell Goering.

3—Second Best Dreessed Lady—Miss Mildred Bennetts.

4—Second Best Dressed Gentleman—Miss Della Ford in Man's costume.

5—Third best dressed lady—Mrs. Kittle Kimball.

6—Third best dressed gentleman—Harry Jefferson.

7—Best fancy dressed group—Maids from Mars.

8—Second best fancy dressed group—Day and Night Girls.

9—Third best fancy dressed group—Goddesses of Liberty.

10—Most original group—Beech Nut Gum group.

11—Best children's group—Penguins.

12—Most original lady's costume—Mrs. Howard Penrose.

13—Most original gentleman's costume—Leroy Hanks.

14—Most original masquerade—Mrs. Leroy Hanks.

15—Best sustained lady character—Ruth Peard.

16—Best sustained gentleman—Charles Elliott of the "Shot Gun Group".

17—Best dressed masquerade couple—Merle Coulter and Ray Wilde.

18—Best Comedian—Ted Deale.

Under the direction of Christian Anderson a very enjoyable program was rendered by talented amateurs before the dancing began. It follows:

Quartz Mill Billies vocal selections including cowboy songs.

Marie Buford and Rex Paroday in solos and a duet.

Elton Tobiassen and Lavonne Gates in a brisk tap dance which was encored.

In rapid fire order Edwin Abram a Grass Valley youth, did his own announcing over the "mike" and played a series of accordian numbers. He tickled the fancy of the audience by his abrupt, business-like performance, and was repeatedly encored.

Little Betty Jean Rore was enthusiastically applauded for her tap dance specialty.

George Ford rendered several selections on his mouth harp and was much praised.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Maguire have returned from spending Christmas in Oakland with their children. They were accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. Edna Meredith and Mr. Meredith. Mr. Maguire is seriously ill at his home.

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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES ON SILVER BEGUN

Washington dispatches state that Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., yesterday hinted that the United States has begun international silver conferences with respect to the use of both silver and gold on a coordinated basis as a standard of monetary value.

Morgenthau's suggestion was not direct. He merely referred questioners to President Roosevelt's congressional message of May 1934, which had indicated such course had been started.

Eduardo Saurez, secretary of the treasury of Mexico, now here on a silver mission, arranged to confer with Morgenthau again following a social gathering of silver experts at the home of the secretary last night.

Further progress in solving silver questions between the United States and Mexico are expected to be made at the meeting.

In answer to questions as to whether the United States and other silver producing countries should present a united front against the sterling managed currency bloc, Morgenthau said:

"I think it is the interest of silver producing countries to work closely together.

Mrs. Geary Feagans and daughter Miss Dorothy Feagans, of this city are visiting Mrs. Faegan's parents in Red Bluff.

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SERA STAFFS SLASHED 50 PCT.

A reduction of 50 per cent in the State Emergency Relief Administration accounting and disbursing staffs and the return of the state's chief disbursing office from San Francisco to Sacramento were announced today at the Capitol, says the Sacramento Bee.

J. M. Roberts, the state's chief disbursing officer of relief funds, will bring thirty workers all Sacramentans, back to this city and will open headquarters on January 13th at 911 Twelfth street. Eighty of these accounting workers already have returned and are attached to the state controller's staff.

The chief disbursing office was transferred to San Francisco as a financial center and the headquarters of a number of cooperating federal funds were being used jointly in unemployment relief activities.

In the interest of economy and also because the funds to be used for relief in the future will be practically all out of the state treasury the office once more will be located in the Capital city.

Officials of the controller's office estimated the administraive force handling the SERA payments is being cut throughout the state from 600 to 300 workers, with further reductions contemplated as the conditions warrant.

This is accompanied by a reduction of relief disbursements from a high of $18,000,000 a month at the peak of the state-federal expenditures to the prospective average use of little more than $2,000,000 a month in state funds henceforth.

Tomorrow morning State Controller Ray L. Riley will offer for sale 132 interest bearing state I. O. U. warrants in an effort to convert

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ELEPHANTS MAKE BIG PROBLEM IN SOUTH AFRICA

Thanks to restrictions on the "big game hunters" who used to go to Africa and shoot everything in sight, elephants are increasing not in size, but in numbers.

In fact, the elephant "housing" problem in some areas is becoming serious. There is danger of elephant-in overcrowding.

Water buffaloes, too are having larger families now than in the old days and a call for consideration of these problems is made in the current number of Nature.

Other species, such as the antelope and giraffe, also are discussed in an article on the preseervation of game animals of Africa.

"The other two successful species, buffalo and elephant, have multiplied simply because they are large, dangerous animals, not easily tackled with muzzle-loaders, says the writer.

"In a buffalo hunt in 1930 when, near the Fafue flats, a herd was driven, according to custom, into a selected swamp, the toll of dead was thirty buffaloes and seven of their native hunters.

"The amazing rapidity of the increase of this destructive species demands a planned effort at reducing their numbers and maintaining a constant check upon their increase.

"The same may be said about the elephant, of which there are at least 12,000 in Northern Rhodesia. and which are believed to have trebled in numbers during the last thirty years.

"Although there is no general excess, there are districts where the herds are rapidly becoming disturbingly large.

"The elephant must run no risk of extermination, but the cultivation and the work of man must also be considered."

A straight problem, it is said, is the rulers of every part of the wild fauna to be left its chances at the hands of population which has been led to kill without restraint ce of the steady encroach- agriculture, commerce and or is it to be shielded for its own sake and for the sake of posterity? Everywhere (says the writer) the answer is that it must be shielded.

An approximate estimate of the number of game animals in Northern Rhodeseia alone is given. Among the rarer forms are the giraffe (3,000), black faced impala (500), rhinorecos (1,500), yellow backed duiker (about 1,500), blue wildebeast (200), hippopotamis (3,000), while at the other end of the scale are species such as the zebra (50,000), buffalo, roan antelope, lichtenstein's hartebeest, common duiker (all with about 60,000), and, far and away the most abundant of all the black and red lechwas, numbering 150,000 and 250,000 respectively.

CAMPTONVILLE

By ACTON M. CLEVELAND

CAMPTONVILLE, Jan. 2.—James L. Joubert and Miss Edna Merrill of Berkeley arrived Monday to send the holidays at the Joubert home in Oak Valley.

Lola B. Cleveland motored to Marysville Monday on a short visit.

Mrs. Henry W. Huckins and Mrs. Ruth Crawford of North San Juan were in town a few days ago visiting relatives.

Jackie Bishop is recovering from a severe case of the mumps.

A. H. Behrens was a business visitor in Nevada City Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl L. Cleveland and granddaughter Earlyne A. Cleveland arrived Tuesday to spend Christmas at their home here.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Joubert and Miss Edna Merrill motored to Nevada City Monday on a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Erle Pauly arrived Tuesday from Oakland to spend Christmas with relatives here. Warren and Leland Pauly who have been visiting in Oakland returned with them.

Don Elder returned to the Magnolia Mine Tuesday after a short visit.

Mrs. William A. Lang and Samuel F. Price were visitors in Nevada City Monday.

Albert H. Hamilton came down from Magnolia Mine Sunday and made a trip to Nevada City Monday.

Myron Pauly motored to Nevada City Tuesday afternoon on a short business visit.

Charles Wilson, Jr., a student of the University of California, at Berkeley, and Woodrow Wilson, a junior college student at Sacramento, arrived a few days ago to spend the holidays with their father C. L. Wilson at Log Cabin.

Henry Weyman of Marysville drove the stage Wednesday in lieu of the regular driver, Gene Boehme, taking the day off.

Forest Ranger Frank W. Meggers returned Tuesday from a few days visit at the southern part of the state He returned as the proud owner of a new Plymouth coupe.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Butz and familiy of Downieville passed through Tuesday enroute to the lower country. ,

Richard Phillips and wife left a few days ago for Modesto to spend the holidays.

W. J. McCain left Tuesday for Menlo Park to spend Christmas with his mother.

Henry Rothe and Nicklos Rothe motored to Nevada City Monday on a short business visit.

Miss Kathryn Pauly returned on Tuesday from a few weeks visit at Oakland.

WPA APPROVES $18,000 AIRPORT PROJECT HERE

The city council has been notified by WPA headquarters in San Francisco that the $18,000 project for completing the airport has been approved and that the money is now available. The work of completing the airport will consist of covering it with rock ballast and surfacing with oil and screenings, deliminating boundaries of the two runways, drainage, and other improvements.

CONSTABLE PROVES TO BE A GOOD GLAZIER

CAMPTONVILLE, Jan. 2.—A few days ago a young hawk lit in an apple tree below the post office and Constable John M. Jaynes hurled a stone at it; the bird ducked, and the stone struck the tree glancing through one of the large windows in the second story of the store building belonging to Judge Acton M. Cleveland. The judge did not know who did it at first and gave all the small boys in the town a thrid degree grilling without effect. Then Jaynes confessed and spent Tuesday afternoon putting in a new window, and the court adjudged that the constable is a good glazier.

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CALIFORNIA MINE NEWS SUMMARIZED

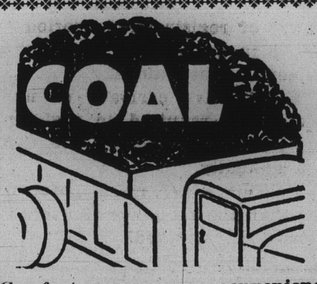
The Campbell Mining Syndicate, New York City, has acquired the Ratcliff mine located in the Panamint Range, Inyo county. The property will be operated by the Campbell California Mining Co. Officers are R. Potter Campbell, president; D. W. Salisbury, vice president; A. G. Hardy, secretary. Directors include I. R. Bonbright, I. W. Bonbright, Jr., Wilkie Busby, J. C. Higgins, Graham Sumner and O. B. Wilcox. George W. Worthington, recently manager of the Plumbago, mine, Alleghany, is manager.

The Cheney Gold Mines, Inc., Nevada City, has been incorporated by L. W. Cheney, W. S. Turner, W. C. Pruett and B. Feigenberg to operate the Gracey-Glencoe mine.

The Silver Lead Syndicate, Keeler, has shiped seven cars of ore with the last car averaging 46.7 ounces silver, 33.8 per cent lead, from the Cerro Gordo mine. J. J. Beason, Salt Lake City, is president.

The F. E. Tiffany claims, near Tweedy Lake, Inc., Neenach, district, Southern California, near Antelope Valley, are reported in values up to $40 in a crosscut at the bottom of an incline shaft.

The Mining Association of the Southwest, Los Angeles, has elected the following officers: R. S. Baverstock, president; John Herman, vice president; O. H. Grigg, Howard Kegley, M. J. Holmes, George Bisbee, W. B. Tucker and Julian Boyd, directors.



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THROAT INFECTION FATAL

Mrs. D. Williams who was brought down from Washington Monday suffering from a severe throat infection, passed away Tuesday night. Jefford and Son are in charge of the funeral arrangements.

FUNERAL SERVICES

Funeral services were held for Joe Zerga, old time resident of Sierra City in that town Tuesday. Judge J. M. McMahon of Sierra county conducted the services. Zerga was 61 years of age and leaves a wife, a son and two daughters to mourn his loss.

INFORMATIONS FILED AGAINST TWO MEN

Two informations have been filed with Superior Court by District Attorney Vernon Stoll. The first accuses Joe Anglisio, an alien, of possessing a revolver which constitutes a felony in California. The other charges Edward Jarvis with unlawfully transporting a girl, not his wife, across the state line and with contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

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WORK BEGINS ON MINERAL SURVEY

Preliminary work has started on an economic survey of California's vast mineral resources under the sponsorship of the California State Mining Board.

Financed by a preliminary appropriation of $13,000 from the Works Progress Administration and installed in offices on two floors of 130 Bush street, San Francisco, the undertaking is now completing organization work under the direction of Edward Morris, mining engineer.

Preliminary work is to go on for 13 weeks and provide employment for something like forty persons, including geologists, mining engineers and other technical experts.

Starting the work means the first step in a program that contemplates expenditure of approximately $250,000 and is the result of months of endeavor on the part of the State Mining Board, of which Errol MacBoyle, vice-president and general manager of Idaho Maryland Mining Corporation, of Grass Valley is the chairman and C. G. Johnson, Robert A. Kinzie and Charles H. Segerstrom the other members. The board has had the subject up for Federal executives at various conferences and these executives are said to have been convinced that the work would be of distinct benefit to the Federal Government as well as to the mineral interests generally.

The first phases of the work have been undertaken as an explatory project for the purpose of making an index and statistical grouping of all known mineral substances, and arranging the information for the benefit of commercial enterprises. A research of mineralogic data will be conducted during the next few weeks upon which this study will be based.

Out of the preliminary research, a library of coordinated information relative to the presence of mineral substances in California, their commercial and industrial uses, their costs of production and the resultant value in the field of commerce will be made available.

The preliminary work has 19 subdivisions of the major program, including assembling, cataloging and indexing all the existing material on mineralogic information; inventory of reports; listing of mineral substances requiring field study to determine quantity and quality; listing of mines, smelters and other factors in mineral substance operations and similar information.

CAPETOWN VINEYARDIST PRAISES U. C. AG. DEPT.

BERKELEY, Jan. 2.—Telling of enormous yields of grapes on his Bizweni Farm, Somerset West, Kenneth B. Quinan gives much of the credit for his success to the University of California College of Agriculture, in a letter written to his brother, Dr. Clarence Quinan of Nevada City. The Bizweni Farm, some forty miles east of Cape Town, produced 6,700 boxes of 10 pounds each, with 362 vines to the acre.

"I shall always feel deeply indebted to the Agricultural Experiment Station reports, bulletins, etc. of the University of California, which have been a great source of information and inspiration," Quinan writes from South Africa to his brother. "They are an example to the world. When all is said and done, to make the soil capable of greater production, is a great and valuable work. More power to them."

While saying that his results in some lines show that the student has excelled the master, he expresses the desire to "attend their agricultural station for a time, as it were, to sit at the feet of knowledge."

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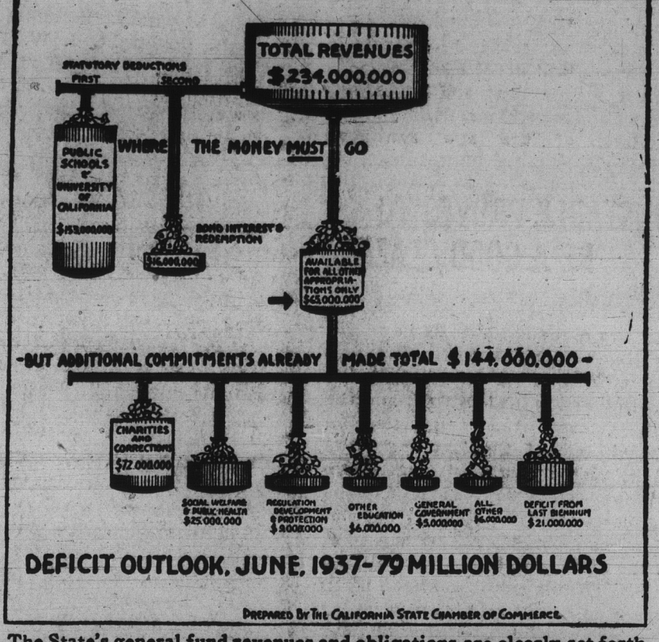
Graphic Picture of State Finances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DEFICIT OUTLOOK, JUNE, 1937-79 MILLION DOLLARS
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The State's general fund revenues and obligations are clearly set forth in the above chart prepared by the California State Chamber of Commerce. The figures point to a deficit outlook in June, 1937, of $79,000,000

Approxiately 3000 pieces of mail are handled daily in California's motor vehicle department. During renewal of registrations period this figure jumps to 5000 pieces for Sacramento office alone.

Eighty five carloads of number plates are required to register the motor vehicles operating in California annually.

California has more motor vehicles than the republics of France and Germany combined.

HIGHGRADER TO STAY 6 MONTHS IN COUNTY JAIL

Roy Barroughs, a miner employed in the Lava Cap, arrested on complaint of Superintendent Otto Schiffner, pleaded guilty to high-grading this morning in Justice of the Peace Mobley's court and was sentenced to six months in the county jail.

BRAWLER STRIKES OFFICER

Night Officer Howard Brown was called to the home of Frank Vigilanti on Sacramento sereet at an early hour New Years morning where Dan J. McDonald was disturbing the peace. He was accused of breaking into the home of Vigilanti. McDonald allegedly had been drinking and when the officer arrived he was angry and struck Mr. Brown. The man was lodged in the city jail.

Chief of Police Garfield Robson took McDonald to the county jail Thursday and charged him with assault and disturbing the peace.

'DODSWORTH' TO BE PRESENTED IN SACRAMENTO

Starring Walter Huston, Max Gordon's production of "Dodsworth," dramatized by Sidney Howard from Sinclair Lewis' most famous novel of the same name, will be in Sacramento Memorial Auditorium one night only, Wednesday, January 15.

Coming almost direct from its 42 weeks' triumph in New York and three months in Chicago, the "Dodsworth" engagement will easily be a highlight of the season.

Sidney Howard is one of the outstanding American dramatists. He won the Pulitzer prize in 1924 with the Theatre Guild production of "They Knew What They Wanted." Among his best known plays are "Ned McCobb's Daughter. "The Silver Cord," "Alien Corn," and the adaption of "The Late Christopher Bean."

Walter Huston last appeared on the stage, before going into the movies, in "The Commodore Marries," adapted from a novel by Smolett. He made his first great success in "Desire Under the Elms," and later played in "The Mountain" "The Barker," "Kongo," and "Fast Company."

Among the great motion pictures in which he has appeared are "Abraham Lincoln," "The Criminal Code," "Gabriel Over the White House," "Bell Below," and "The Prizefighter and the Lady."

There are, in all, forty players in "Dodsworth," including in addition to Mr. Huston, Juliette Crosby, Nan Sunderland, Ethel Jackson, Helen Zelinskava, Beatrice Maude, Doris Day, Baroness de Hollub, Paul Porter, Harlan Briggs, Bram Nossen, Gregory Gaye, Leslie Dennison, Frank Taylor, and Richard Courtney. The revolving stages will facilitate shifting of the sixteen scenes in the production. The play was directed by Robert Sinclair.

Max Gordon, producer of "Dodsworth," is rapidly assuming leadership of the American producers. The scenery for "Dodsworth" was designed by Jo Mielziner, whose settings for "The Little Show", "The Barrets of Wimpole Street," and "Anatol" won high applause.

Orange and black registration number plates for California's motor vehicles were adopted for visability and durability.

Pleasure cars in California are numbered from 1A1 to 9Z9999, excluding the series I, O and Q.

Personals

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Delbert Schiffner will leave Sunday evening to return to his studies at Nevada State University.

Returning Sunday evening to resume their studies at Sacramento Junior College are: Henry Toccalini, Bob Tucker, Cecil Schiffner and Tom Legg.

Miss Roxanne Boggs left yesterday for Palo Alto where she will enter Stanford University as a freshman on January 3.

Mrs. Mary Campbell had as [illegible] day guests her nephew, Stanley Deal of Forest Hill and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Deacon of Grass Va[illegible]

Supervisor C. S. Arbogast [illegible] daughter, Miss Helen Arbogast, were Sacramento visitors Tuesday. Miss Arbogast will return to college in Stockton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Johnson of San Francisco were met at Auburn on Tuesday by Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Dolan Mrs. Johnson is a sister of Mrs. Dolan and always enjoys returning to this city in time to attend the Firemen's New Years Ball.

Miss Patricia McCarthy, who is attending Dominican College at Santa Rosa is spending the holidays in Nevada City with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe McCarthy.

Mr. and Mrs. George Osterman and Mr. Osterman's mother, Mrs. Clara Scarfe, were Sacramento visitors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hall and children spent New Years in Walnut Grove with Mr. Hall's aunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sauvee motored to Antioch Tuesday and returned with their niece, Miss Helen Provines, who had spent the Christmas holidays with her parents.

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